

East End, under Miss Octavia Hill and in the Chanty Organisation Society visiting which Beatrice began to do in Soho Miss Hill was a friend of his more intimate and constant visitors to the household, and friends of Beatrice as well as of her father, were Samuel and Henrietta Barnett, and her cousins Charles and Mary Booth. About this same time, too, "three politically-minded brothers-in-law joined the family group " Margaret, her favourite sister, married Henry Hobhouse in 1880 in the next year, Theresa married C A Cnpps (afterwards Lord Parmoor), then a barrister, with strong political leanings, deep and serious interest in social questions, and a fine mind, against which Beatrice loved to sharpen her own* while Kate in 1883 married Leonard Courtney, who

"brought to bear upon our discussions a massive intelligence and an amazing memory, combined with the intellectual integrity and personal disinterestedness of a super-man "

All of them were interested in politics all however would have agreed with the point of view expressed, in 1880 by Mr Gladstone, when he wrote to Lord Rosebery,

"What is outside Parliament seems to me to be fast mounting—nay, to have already mounted—to an importance much exceeding what is inside "

Among the forces thus working outside was philanthropy a philanthropy animated by a "class-consciousness of sin "

"The social reformers in parliament, whether Conservatives or Liberals, belonged, almost invariably, to the

groups of public-
spirited men and women within the metropolis or
in the pro-
vincial towns who were initiating and directing
the perpetual
flow of charitable gifts from the nation of the rich
to the nation
of the poor "

Of this philanthropy, the Charity
Organisation Society
was the outstanding organised form, with it
both Miss